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In spite of the many books that have been written about Japan and the general interest that is now taken in Japanese affairs, statements are still being constantly made about that country which are not only misleading but very often contrary to actual facts. More extraordinary still is the fact that when these errors are pointed out the corrections are generally looked upon with more suspicion than the original statements. It would seem that the public has been so long regaled with stories of the perfection of the institutions, arts, industries and people of Japan, that any attempt to break into this dream is regarded as something similar to an attack on religion. Recently the *Manchester Guardian* published a reluctant and half-hearted confession that perhaps Japanese competition would not entirely ruin British trade, that Japanese workers were possibly not so skilled as was generally imagined, that cheap labour was not altogether cheap in the long run, and that, at any rate, wages were rising rapidly in Japan. These facts have again and again been put forward by those who have studied actual conditions in the country, but it would appear that it is only now that they are receiving a reluctant acceptance. The fact is that it is much easier to take a superficial and enthusiastic view of conditions, than it is to consider them fully in relation to all sides of the question. Further, extravagant

—almost sensational—statements are much more popular than guarded ones. The public loves to be scared. Another sample of the inaccurate statements that are so freely circulated in regard to Japan occurs in an address delivered by Mr. ROBERT E. DOWNS at Shanghai before the Union Church Literary and Social Guild, reported at length in the Shanghai *National Review*. "Japan," he tells us, "has in some respects left us British behind in the matter of political equality. Payment of members of Parliament is no new thing with them, and already manhood suffrage is an accomplished fact." Mr. DOWNS could hardly have made a more unfortunate selection of instances to prove political equality, because, briefly, the first does not prove political equality at all and the second is not true. Whether it is a right and proper thing that members of Parliament should be paid is another question; but the fact that such payment has nothing to do with political equality is fully evidenced by the case of Japan, which does pay her members, but at the same time only allow the vote to 3 per cent. of the population, which is very far removed from the manhood suffrage Mr. DOWNS imagines. The powers of the Diet also are not exactly consistent with political equality. Practically, while the members are allowed some liberty in discussion, this Government expects the measures it submits to be passed. On an historic occasion some years ago, a recalcitrant Diet, refusing to pass a Government measure, was confronted with an Imperial Ordinance, to which it had perforce to submit. Another of Mr. DOWNS's remarks is, at least open to misconception. He says "extra-territoriality has been abolished [in Japan] and the white man cannot kick and cuff a Japanese." This either implies that in some extraordinary way extra-territoriality gave foreigners a legal right to "kick and cuff" the Japanese—perhaps by a special clause in the treaties; or that the Japanese had no means of redress when so assaulted. It seems hardly necessary to point out that any Japanese could bring an action in the Consular courts against any foreigner, and that his action received as full and complete an investigation as if it had been made in his own courts. As a matter of fact the Japanese had a general impression that they did not receive full justice in the Consular courts; but this was merely a natural feeling of jealousy and was not founded on any actual occurrence. As for kicks and cuffs, Mr. DOWNS would seem here to be making a quiet dig at proceedings in Shanghai and other open ports in China, but his inference seems rather sweeping. His allegation may be true of places in China, but it certainly was not true of Japan, excluding, of course, sailors' fights or the pranks of high spirited youths, who generally got as much as they gave. The notion that the Japanese under extra-territoriality were a downtrodden people will not bear examination. They objected to extra-territoriality because it naturally hurt their pride to have any portion of their country placed outside their control, but as for their being any better off materially since its abolition doubts may be expressed. However, in justice to Mr. DOWNS, it must be admitted that his other remarks on Japan in the address above referred to, are in the main correct. He contends that the abolition of extra-territoriality has not driven foreigners from Japan—he quotes figures to show they have really increased; and that although the percentage of the trade passing through foreign lands has fallen, the actual gross amount of trade has greatly increased. This is true; and the conclusion he draws, that there has been no direct attempt to drive foreigners from Japan, is also equally sound. This last point is important, because it is constantly being used to demonstrate the alleged "dog-in-the-manger" attitude of the Japanese Government. A striking instance is given in a paper by Mr. F. B. VROOMAN, read recently before the Royal Colonial Institute. The paper dealt with the outlook in British Columbia, which the lecturer holds is becoming Orientalised by the invasion of Japanese, Chinese and East Indians. In view of the invasion of China and the East Indies by large numbers of Westerners, the lecturer's arguments could not very well be applied to those countries, so he limited himself to belabouring Japan, the Anglo-Japanese alliance and the unpatriotic manufacturers and corporations of Canada which will have cheap labour at the price of Canadian homogeneity. Japan, according to the lecturer, demands on the Western shores what she denies Westerners on her own. She denies all foreigners the right of land tenure in Japan, but demands the right of Japanese to own land in the West. Japan is crowding every white man and every white interest off the Continent of Asia; she will not allow a foreigner to own or work a mine, or engage in fisheries in Japanese waters. She will not tolerate Western workmen on her soil, and resents

strongly any foreign competition in Japanese industries. She is gradually taking, or legislating, or expropriating every Western interest out of Japan, Korea and Manchuria, and as far as possible out of China. These are only a few of the charges Mr. VROOMAN brings against Japan, but they are sufficient to show the drift of his paper. To deal with the charges *seriatim* would occupy too much space. Briefly it may be said they are all quite correct, although it may be noted that a Bill has been passed granting foreigners right to own land with certain restrictions. Mr. VROOMAN, however, has missed the whole point of the Japanese position; he has made a series of perfectly correct statements, but he has not indicated on what ground Japanese claim in other countries the rights they refuse foreigners in their own, and thus he has put a false complexion on his story. All the Japanese demand is that they be treated as other nations,—neither better nor worse. They hold, rightly or wrongly, that the West has no right to discriminate against them as Asiatics. If a Western country refuses to allow its soil to be held by aliens, well and good. Japan makes no demand that that country should adopt a policy different to her own. But when a country throws open its land to all comers, and then expressly and unfairly discriminates against one nation, or section of nations, Japan naturally objects. No self-respecting nation could allow itself to be discriminated against in such a way without a protest. Japan does not demand that her nation be given special privileges in the way of landowning, mining, fishing, etc. She only asks that she be given the same privileges as are given to other nations. Theoretically it may be right that there should be reciprocity in these matters, that the nation which excludes aliens from privileges granted to her own nationals should have the same treatment meted out to her nationals abroad. But the difficulties in the way of carrying this reciprocity into practice are so enormous that no country has yet made such a proposal to Japan. As long as Western countries throw open their land and opportunities to all comers, so long is Japan justified in asking no discrimination be made against her. This is the whole crux of the situation, but one which Mr. VROOMAN ignores.

The French mail of the 28th March was delivered in London on the 25th April.

We have been informed by the Colonial Secretary's Office that Shanghai has declared Hongkong to be an infected port.

A portion of the Offerings in St. John's Cathedral to-morrow, April 28th, will be given to the Local Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The Rev. W. H. Hewitt, B.D., will be the preacher at matins.

The Scenic Railway, which was an attraction at the Hongkong University Bazaar, and was subsequently sold at auction, is now being installed in the old Supreme Court building, and will be "open for traffic" on May 1st. See Adv.

The masters of three fishing boats were charged yesterday, before Commander Beckwith, R.N., with hovering within three hundred feet of H.M.S. *Minotaur*, without the permission of the Harbour Master or the Officer Commanding the ship. Defendants were each fined \$5.

H.M.S. *Avon* left for Home yesterday afternoon. As she left her moorings with the white pennant flying, the bluejackets manned the yards and gave rousing cheers as they passed the other cruisers, the men from these responding right lustily. The band on board the *Flora* at the same time played "Will ye no come back again."

An interesting story of how a thief was caught red-handed comes from Shaikwan. A man was seen leaving a house which he had entered and stolen money therefrom, and on realizing that he was discovered he bolted, but was pursued to the shore. He threw the money into the sea and jumped into a sampan, but as the woman belonging to the boat would not row him and as he could not row himself he had to wait until his pursuers came along and captured him.

CHANGES AT MACAO.

Two decrees were published in Lisbon, on the 26th of March, one cancelling the appointment of Mr. M. F. da Rocha as Colonial Secretary of Macao, and the other reinstating Dr. M. Mansilha in that post.

Referring to Dr. Mansilha, a Lisbon paper states that he is an official who has rendered a great many services in the Colonies of Angola and Macao, and was dismissed by a decree of 29th May, 1911. The Minister of the Colonies, having found no reason at all for any disciplinary step against him, but official documents and reports that greatly honour him, has cancelled that decree, and so gives to Dr. Mansilha the justice that is due to him and which he has been claiming for many months past.

Captain Sanchez de Miranda, now en route to Macao, is coming to take the place of Mr. Machado, as Acting Governor.

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE "TITANIC" CALAMITY.

THE SENATORIAL INQUIRY.

NO PANIC.

LONDON, April 26th.

The look-out man, Fleet, re-examined by the Senate Committee said he saw no women left on the decks. There were a number of men who did not try to or asked to get into the boats.

FIFTH OFFICER'S EVIDENCE.

Mr. Lowe, the fifth officer of the *Titanic*, explained that he fired pistol shots into space in order to frighten Italian steerage passengers. He was three decks below the boat deck. The deck was crowded with steerage passengers chiefly Italians. One person jumping into a descending boat might buckle it up. He saw Italians glaring, ready to spring, and therefore he fired into space between the boat and the side of the ship as it came down.

FIFTH OFFICER'S REBUKE TO MR. ISMAY.

The fifth officer, Lowe, admitted ordering Mr. Ismay away from the first boat lowered. He did not know it was Mr. Ismay till afterwards. Mr. Ismay was not trying to board the boat, but was excited, repeatedly saying: "Lower away." Witness told him not to interfere with the work, but "get to hell." Mr. Ismay then stepped back without replying.

NO DISCRIMINATION REGARDING WOMEN.

Mr. Lightholder, the second officer, recalled, said Mr. Ismay, while he was on board the *Carpathia* was not mentally able to transact business; he was possessed of the idea that he ought to have gone down with the ship. The *Carpathia's* doctor had trouble with Mr. Ismay in regard to this. The Chief Officer forced Mr. Ismay into the boat.

The launching of the boat was very successfully done, but though built to carry 65 persons it was unsafe to load it to its full capacity before lowering. He defended Pittman, the officer in charge of the boat, for not rescuing those in the water because it would have endangered those already in the boat. He made no discrimination regarding the class of women put into the boats. If some boats were not fully loaded it was because they could not find people willing to go. They did not seem to care about getting into the boats. No effort was made by the officers and crew either to restrain or direct passengers. He saw women on the deck but they did not respond to the call. He had no time to drag them in. One man, an Italian, sneaked into the boat dressed as a woman and was not found out until too late. He called for volunteers to row back to the wreck and they picked up four men in the water. One was Mr. Hays, of New York, who died after being taken out. He waited till the cries of the drowning had ceased before he rowed back, as he did not dare to enter the struggling mass for fear of sinking. It was an hour and a half before the cries of the drowning ceased.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST A QUARTERMASTER.

Quartermaster Hitchens, who was forcibly brought to Washington from New York where he was on board the *Celtic*, denied that he seized all the wraps and drank all the whisky on board the lifeboat which he commanded. He had orders to pull towards a distant light, which he thought was a fishing schooner and he was also afraid of the suction caused by the sinking of the *Titanic*. He could not have rescued people from the water as he was a mile away from their cries.

EVIDENCE BY MR. MARCONI.

Mr. Marconi testified before the Senate Inquiry that he did not hear of the sinking of the *Titanic* before the evening of the 15th inst. He did not suppress messages from the *Carpathia*, nor did he authorise the sending of messages to the operators on the *Carpathia* offering sums in four figures (dollars) to secure their exclusive stories for the Marconi Company.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BLUSTER.

The Chairman (Senator Smith) whose methods are being much criticised announced that the Committee intended to detain all British survivors till they had learned all they could regarding the disaster, and would not tolerate any attempt on the part of the Press and others to shape the course of the inquiry.

THE CHAIRMAN OVERRULED.

Members of the Committee overruled Chairman Smith and decided to expedite the taking of evidence in order to permit the crew of the *Titanic* to return to England as speedily as possible.

SENATOR'S SILLY QUESTIONS.

The following are examples of Senator Smith's questions:—"Where do icebergs come from?" "Don't they emit light like the moon and stars?" "Of what are icebergs composed?" "Did the ship sink by the head or the bows?" Mr. Smith asked Officer Lowe: "Are you temperate?" "Yes." "Glad to hear it. Had a note from a reputable man that you were drinking on the night of the accident." The reply was "Rubbish. I am a total abstainer."

MR. ISMAY'S DETENTION.

Considerable feeling is being aroused in London over the practically forcible detention of Mr. Ismay and the members of the *Titanic's* crew, firstly in New York and then in Washington. Some resentment is felt at the high-handed procedure of the Senatorial Committee and numerous questions on the subject were asked in the House of Commons at question time. Mr. Asquith explained that the American statutes gave power for such inquiry to be held. Nevertheless it is understood that the witnesses were appearing voluntarily and instructions would no doubt be sent to Mr. Bryce, the British Ambassador, to protect Britishers if necessary. He hoped that it would be unnecessary.

UNDERWRITERS' SYMPATHY FOR MR. ISMAY.

All the London underwriters of the *Titanic*, whose losses are nearly £800,000, have taken the unusual step of signing a message to Mr. Ismay expressing their sympathy with the pain and loss caused him by the disaster.

HOUSE OF LORDS AND THE AMERICAN INQUIRY.

Lord Stanhope called attention in the House of Lords to the American inquiry into the loss of a vessel flying the British flag and pointed out that if the fact that the owning company was partly American was accepted as justification, this would strike at the root of the position of merchantmen in time of war, rendering nationality doubtful. Though relations with America were so friendly as to make it impossible for an international question to arise, there was a certain feeling in Great Britain which was not so forcibly worded as American feeling would have been if the position were reversed.

Lord Morley deprecated the discussion and said undoubtedly any State might institute an enquiry into a foreign wreck whereby the lives of its subjects were lost, though he was not aware of any precedent. No communications had been addressed to the United States or received from them. Alluding to the detention of witnesses, Lord Morley said such powers existed in most countries but it was obvious that it should be exercised with full consideration of the witnesses and also of the necessities of any enquiry at Home. They could not suppose that the Senate Committee would overlook that.

Lord Lansdowne said that though the procedure was unprecedented, it must be remembered that the circumstances were also unparalleled.

Lord Halsbury emphasised that the national character of a ship was no more technically but a matter of supreme importance.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AN INTERESTING ANALYSIS.

Mr. Buxton, President of the Board of Trade, in reply to Mr. Chiozza-Money, M.P., has issued a return showing the number of passengers carried by the *Titanic* and the number saved, as follows:—

	Carried.	Saved.
First Class, Men	173	58
" " Women	144	139
" " Children	5	5
Second Class, Men	160	13
" " Women	93	78
" " Children	24	24
Third Class, Men	454	55
" " Women	179	98
" " Children	76	23
Crew, Men	875	189
" " Women	23	21

RELIEF FUNDS.

The total funds now amount to over £200,000, the Mansion House fund being £138,000.

The total funds now amount to £257,740.

"WHO IS TO BLAME?"

Lord Muskerry, at the opening of the London Branch of the Imperial Merchants Guild, said the insufficiency of boats on liners was reported upon to the Marine Department of the Board of Trade by an advisory committee in July, 1911, but nothing was done and no notice taken till the news that the *Titanic* had struck an iceberg. The Department then wrote to the Committee saying that it agreed to the proposals but might go further. This was an attempt to throw the blame upon others.

THE "FRANKFURT'S" EXPERIENCE.

The German liner *Frankfurt*, which was said to be the nearest steamer to the *Titanic* when she struck the iceberg, has arrived at Bremen. The Captain said that he immediately replied to the message from the *Titanic* that it would take eleven hours to reach the sinking vessel. He arrived on the scene through a labyrinth of ice in which the *Carpathia*, the *Virginian* and the *Birma* had also been seeking for survivors.

MEMORIAL SERVICE TO MR. STEAD.

A Memorial Service to the late Mr. W. T. Stead has been held in Westminster Chapel. The Rev. Dr. Clifford read messages of sympathy from Queen Alexandra, the Gaekwar of Baroda, General Botha, and other admirers in Johannesburg and Europe. The congregation included Lord Esher, Lord Haldane, Lord Milner, Earl Grey, Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. John Burns, and Mr. Macnamara.

BODY RECOVERED.

The steamer *Mackay Bennett* has sent a wireless message that she has recovered the body of "bear."

It is assumed that this is a telegraphic mutilation of "Stead."

GERMAN INVESTIGATION.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin telegraphs that the Kaiser has ordered an immediate searching investigation with a view to the extension of life-saving appliances on passenger ships, the object being to provide a basis for international regulations.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SUGGESTED.

The Government of Germany has circulated the Governments suggesting an International Conference with regard to life-saving appliances on ships.

LOCAL BENEFIT PERFORMANCE.

The Victoria Theatre was crowded last night on the occasion of the grand benefit performance given in aid of the fund for the relief of the sufferers by the loss of the *s.s. Titanic*. The performance was under the patronage of H. E. the Officer Administering the Government, H. E. Major General Anderson, and others.

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STRIKE ON THE OLYMPIC.

FIREMEN ALARMED.

As the Olympic was on the point of sailing from Southampton the firemen suddenly fled down the gangway and alleged that the collapsible boats were unseaworthy and demanded that they be replaced by regulation lifeboats, otherwise they would not sail.

The manager of the White Star addressed the men offering a demonstration of the collapsibles, but the men rejected the offer and unanimously decided not to sail. Thereupon the Olympic was towed to Cowes Roads and anchored, requiring over 200 firemen before proceeding to New York.

LATER.

A deputation of stokers in the afternoon watched a demonstration with the collapsible boats. The men waited for the report of the deputation and afterwards the Seafarers' Union demanded the dismissal of eighteen firemen who had remained on the Olympic.

The White Star Company refused; consequently there is a deadlock.

LATER.

The Olympic has not yet procured stokers.

SEAMAN STRIKE.

All ranks below boatswain's mate on the White Star Liner Olympic (sister ship of the Titanic) struck on Thursday night, but afterwards agreed to sail.

THE SIBERIAN DISTURBANCES.

LONDON, April 26th.

A message from St. Petersburg states that in the Duma the Minister for the Interior said that he fully endorsed the action of the authorities in the Lena goldfields. A force of 110 soldiers was faced by a mob of 7,000 and was compelled to fire four volleys owing to the charges made by the strikers. He affirmed that the strikers were imbued with political motives and had planned to seize the soldiers' weapons and plunder the mines.

THE CAMPANILE OF VENICE.

LONDON, April 26th.

Venice was beflagged yesterday when the Duke of Genoa inaugurated the new Campanile amidst enormous enthusiasm. There were processions, many notable people were present, the gondolas were in great force, and the bluejackets fired *feu-de-joie*.

A LONDON OUTRAGE.

LONDON, April 26th.

Tibbitt, the assailant of Leopold de Rothschild in London, has been sentenced to twenty years' penal servitude. There will be an inquiry into the state of his mind.

NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

LONDON, April 26th.

The King reviews a portion of the Fleet at Portland on May 5th, participating in the manoeuvres.

ENGLISH CUP TIE.

LONDON, April 26th.

The re-played final in the English Cup competition between Barnsley and Bromwich West Albion took place at Sheffield, and after extra time had been played resulted in a win for Barnsley by one goal to nil.

The weather was glorious, there being a good breeze. The attendance numbered 45,000.

At the outset Bromwich, assisted by the wind, showed to advantage, having greater dash and greater speed. The second half was of a give and take nature, both defences proving impenetrable.

Extra time had to be played. Bromwich missed an easy chance, and then Barnsley with a desperate effort scored.

THE REVOLT IN FEZ.

LONDON, April 26th.

It appears that the Jewish casualties in the revolt at Fez were 51 killed and 38 wounded.

A Tangier message reports that 175 Sherifian cavalry encamped at Arbaona under the command of a French captain have deserted with their arms and horses.

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BRITISH POLITICS.

THE HOME RULE BILL.

LONDON, April 26th.

Mr. Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons that the second reading of the Home Rule Bill would be taken on the 30th instant and that six days would be given to it.

The Opposition vehemently protested against six days being given for the Home Rule debate. A heated scene took place between Mr. Lloyd George and Sir Edward Carson on the subject.

THE WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT BILL.

The Welsh Disestablishment Bill would be taken on the 13th May, and the House would adjourn for Whitsuntide on the 22nd May.

On the resumption of the debate on the Welsh Disestablishment Bill,

Mr. Lloyd George said the wrong the Welsh people felt was that England was imposing upon them as national and exponent of their spiritual life England's own church, which was an exponent of English views of life and English temperament. What greater wrong could be inflicted on a nation? He proceeded then to a lengthy defence of disendowment.

LATER.

The House of Commons read the Welsh Disestablishment Bill a first time by 331 votes to 283.

THE INDIAN LOAN.

LONDON, April 26th.

The failure of the Indian Loan, whereby underwriters are saddled with 87 per cent., is being much commented upon. It is variously ascribed to the unfavourable condition of the money market, to the impending heavy realisations consequent upon the loss of the Titanic, and the tendency for investors to seek a higher rate of interest and the decline of British credit.

ROYALIST PLOT IN PORTUGAL.

LONDON, April 26th.

A Lisbon message reports that it was announced in the Senate that 100 cases of mauser rifles and eighteen cases of cartridges destined for Royalists have been seized at Ponte Vedra.

ITALY AND TURKEY.

LONDON, April 26th.

The Daily Chronicle correspondent at Constantinople states that during the Italian bombardment of the Dardanelles they destroyed Kumkaleh fort, killing 300.

A PARIS OUTRAGE.

LONDON, April 26th.

Reuter's correspondent in Paris telegraphs that while Deputy Chief Detective Jouin and Chief Inspector Colmar were making domiciliary visits in connection with the motor outrages an anarchist shot and killed Jouin and seriously wounded Colmar. He then made his escape. The affair has caused an intense sensation.

ROYAL VISITOR IN LONDON.

LONDON, April 26th.

Prince Henry of the Netherlands is in London. He visited the Ideal Home Exhibition at the Olympia, a feature of which is the wonderful Dutch village with tulip fields, windmills, etc. Queen Wilhelmina was much interested in the village. Prince Henry has many private engagements. He lunches with Their Majesties on Saturday.

THE RIFLE SIGHT QUESTION.

LONDON, April 26th.

An Ottawa message states that Colonel Barlow and Crosse, the British delegates to Canada for the conference to settle the dispute between Canadian rifleman and the National Rifle Association concerning rifle sights, have convinced themselves that upwards of 10,000 long cross rifles have been issued to the troops and 15,000 are ready for issue. They practically admitted that the rifles could not be rejected.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, April 26th.

The death is announced of Mr. Justin McCarthy.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SEAMEN'S STRIKE IN JAPAN.

LONDON, April 26th.

Reuter's correspondent at Yokohama telegraphs that the seamen in the employ of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, and the Osaka Shosen Kaisha have struck work, and the liners for Europe, America and Shanghai have been held up.

RUSSIA AND MONGOLIA.

LONDON, April 26th.

The Times correspondent at St. Petersburg telegraphs that Russian money is finding its way into the Mongolian Treasury in return for mining and other concessions.

The intention of China to send delegates to Mongolia to treat for a recognition of Chinese sovereignty is favourably viewed in official circles, Russia adhering to the idea that Mongolia should be an autonomous province under Chinese suzerainty. It is believed that China will ultimately accept this formula.

THE SITUATION IN TIBET.

LONDON, April 26th.

The Dalai Lama's special courier has arrived at Kalimpong and reports that the Chinese are still penned in a corner of the suburbs of Lhasa. A parley is proceeding, but the Chinese are hesitating over the offer of the Tibetans of safe conduct and expenses to Szechuan subject to a surrender of their arms.

GLOOMY VIEWS OF CHINA.

LONDON, April 26th.

Mr. Alfred Hippiely, lately a Commissioner in the Chinese Maritime Customs, lecturing before the Central Asia Society upon the Revolution in China, gave a gloomy outlook for the future of China. He said the Revolutionaries were foolishly optimistic and where they had established themselves absolute anarchy prevailed. The jealousies between the provinces had grown and now threatened a general disintegration. China indeed would be fortunate if a stable Government were established without years of strife and bloodshed.

Mr. Byron Brennan said he was even more pessimistic than the lecturer. He believed that it was almost impossible for China to be one nation again.

Lord Ronaldsday said that one effect would likely be the non-fulfilment of China's part of the Opium Agreement, in which case the loss of opium revenue to India would be most unfair.

BRITISH DOCKING ENTERPRISE IN THE STRAITS.

LONDON, April 26th.

Mr. Joynson Hicks, M.P., in the House of Commons, asked a number of questions relating to the Eastern Shipping Company's ship at the Straits, and described the late Governor as having exercised the royal prerogative to crush a commercial competitor which had thus been driven from British territory and compelled to construct a ship in Siam.

Mr. L. Harecourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied that if the Company find their expenditure useless it is their own fault as they persisted in the construction of slipways after they had been warned that the Government would not permit the use of the foreshore. The fact that they were subsequently permitted a restricted use of the foreshore shows that they were treated with exceptional consideration. He was not prepared to intervene. The late Governor's action was in accordance with law. The Colonial Government had expended enormous sums in acquiring complete control of the wharfing and docking facilities in the Colony and to give a commercial rival an opportunity of competing with them would mean the stultifying of their action.

AMERICAN POLITICS.

LONDON, April 26th.

President Taft in his speeches at Springfield, Massachusetts, and at Boston attacked Mr. Roosevelt who had not lived up to his own ideal of a square deal but had misstated and distorted facts concerning the President's conduct and action at White House. Mr. Roosevelt had violated his solemn promise to the American people not to be a candidate for the presidency a third time.

THE MAGISTRACY.

THEFTS FROM GODOWNS.

Several thefts from the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and London Company's godowns have been reported to the police, and yesterday several prosecutions took place by the Company, in one instance a watchman being summoned for neglect of duty.

BANISHMENT OF A FRENCH WOMAN.

Emilie Paillet, a French woman, one of the *demi-mondaine* who had been banished from the Colony some time ago, appeared before Mr. Melbourne at the Magistracy yesterday charged with returning after banishment. She pleaded guilty, and was ordered to enter into a bond of \$500 to come up for judgment if called upon, and if found in the Colony after the expiration of five days the bond to be put into execution.

RICKSHAW COOLIE AND HIS FARE.

A rickshaw coolie who demanded more than his legal fare from Mr. Arnold, of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, found that it was a costly experiment. He was paid ten cents and demanded more, whereupon Mr. Arnold took back the ten cents and gave him five cents, the legal fare. The coolie behaved in a disorderly manner, and Mr. Arnold reported the matter to the police. Yesterday the coolie was placed in the dock at the Magistracy, and the charge being proved, Mr. Melbourne imposed a fine of \$5 or eight days' imprisonment.

INTERESTING REVENUE STAMP CASE.

An interesting case was heard by Mr. Melbourne at the Magistracy yesterday in which a Chinese rent collector was summoned for not having affixed a revenue stamp to money which he had collected. It appears that his custom, which is one followed by Chinese in the Colony, was to enter the amount received in his own book and in the tenant's book, but to affix the stamp only to the payment in his own book. Mr. H. L. Denny, Esq., who appeared for the defence, held that this was sufficient, and his worship took a similar view and discharged the defendant.

EXEMPLARY SENTENCE ON A PURSE-SNATCHER.

Cases of purse-snatching from European ladies have been fairly common in the Colony during the past twelve months and it has not been often that the police have succeeded in effecting the arrest of the thieves. One lad arrested this week, however, has had two charges preferred against him and was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Irving to six months' imprisonment and to receive two whippings of ten strokes each. Evidence in the case taken yesterday was given by Mrs. B. A. Hale who was robbed of a purse in the centre of Chater Road at 7 o'clock on Monday night while proceeding from the Star Ferry Wharf to the Hongkong Hotel. The police were notified and on the following day the youth who was charged with this theft was arrested on another similar charge. Mrs. Hale was unable to positively identify the thief, but prisoner closely answered the description she had given of him, and she had picked him out of a group of eight at the police station, as being of the height, build and age of the youth who snatched her purse. Subsequently the police recovered the purse, which, according to the evidence, the prisoner pawned with an out-of-work painter whom he saw sitting on a doorstep in Kau-U-Pong. Prisoner offered it to the man for sale saying, when questioned, that he had picked it up in the street. The painter refused to buy, and then prisoner asked him for a loan of 30 cents, in order to procure rice for himself and two companions. The "loan" was made and the purse left "as security" with the painter, and was placed in a cellar "where a friend of his kept things." The painter was traced to his abode in Hollywood Road and he gave every assistance to the police in recovering the missing article. The contents, of course, had been removed but complainant informed the Magistrate that these were of small value. The painter was held in custody on a charge of feloniously receiving the purse knowing it to have been stolen.

THE SHANGHAI VOLUNTEERS.

Col. St. John, R.E., after his inspection of the Shanghai Volunteers last Saturday, when there was a muster of 739 rank and file, addressed them in the following terms:—

Officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps. This is the first time that I have had the honour of inspecting you at Shanghai. I regret very much that Major-General Anderson has not been able to come to Shanghai, but what has been the Major-General Anderson's loss, and the Volunteers' loss, has been my gain. I have been very much struck by your smart and soldierly bearing. Col. Barnes has told me that this is the second time since the last inspection that you have done the march past, and I think your performance not only does you credit but would have been a credit to a body of men who had undergone much more drill. I was glad to notice the Reserve Company and I understand this is the first time that they have done the march past. I compliment you, Col. Barnes, and Shanghai upon having such a large and useful body of men of all nationalities working together in common. I have to congratulate you upon the display given this afternoon.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly share report dated April 26th state:—

The quietness which prevailed in the local market in the early stages of the past week has since given way to renewed activity, and a good investment business has resulted at, in some instances, still further improved rates. London "Rubbers" are slightly easier on the week, the tone of the market at the close being quiet. Fine Hard Para Rubber is quoted at 4/9 per lb., a decline of 1/4d. per lb. on the period under review. Discount rates close at 3 1/2 per cent. (Bank of England) and 3 1/4 per cent. (open market rate). Bar Silver has advanced to 27 13/16d. spot, and 27 15/16d. forward, Sterling T.T. closing at 1/11 1/2 steady. The T.T. rate on Shanghai closes at 73.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai in sympathy with the advance in sterling exchange have declined locally to \$845 sellers with sales at this rate and at \$840. The London quotation comes privately at \$82 1/2, the last to hand per "Reuter" being \$83.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have been booked at \$815 ex the dividend of \$50 recently paid, the market closing with small sellers. Cantons after weakening to \$205 are firmer again with sales and buyers at \$210. North China are unchanged at \$145 and Yangtzes at \$210 with ex \$70.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkongs have further improved their position, the market having advanced rapidly to \$850, at which a good business has been done, the market closing with further buyers. Chinas after a weak opening at \$132 are firmer at the close with sales and buyers at the rate.

SHIPRENTS.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao are quiet with sellers at \$27 1/2. Indo-Chinas are quoted nominally at \$70 (combined) and China and Manila at \$11 1/2 sellers. Douglases have advanced to \$32 buyers without sales, and Star Ferries to buyers at \$32 (old) and \$30 (new). Shell Transports are procurable locally at 112/6, but at 109/6 London is a buyer.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars after sales at varying rates between \$105 and \$112 are easier at the close with probable sellers at \$110. Luzons are firmer with buyers at \$94.

MINING.—Tronohs after declining to 67/6 can now be placed in London at 71/-. Raubers are easier at \$4.65 sellers after sales at \$4.70. Heawoods are quiet at 5/- and Chinese Engineerings at 36/- sellers, London quoting for the latter 38/3 middle price.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are quieter with sellers at \$46 1/2. Kowloon Wharves are also easier closing with sellers at \$57 1/2, probably 57. New Amoy Docks are quoted at \$6 1/2, Shanghai Docks at Tls. 54, and Shanghai and Hongkew Wharves at Tls. 55.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have further advanced during the week to \$107 with sales, the market closing steady. Kowloon Lands have been booked at \$34, West Points at \$34, and Humphreys Estates at \$7 1/2. Hongkong Hotels are wanted at \$109 and \$68 for old and new respectively.

CORROD MILLS.—Hongkongs close steady with sales at \$5. Ewos are unchanged at Tls. 80.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos have sold and are in request at \$10 1/2. China Providents are wanted at \$8. Dairy Farms, at \$22, Cements at \$4 1/2, Electricians at \$23 1/2, and China Lights at \$1.60. Langkats have been sold to the North at Tls. 40 and Tls. 70, the market closing with buyers at the former rate. Hongkong Tramways have been booked at 4/6 and London Ventures at 2/9.

LONDON QUOTATIONS.—The following London quotations (middle price) were received by wire this morning:—
Linggis 112/6
United Berdangs 74/6
Batu Tigas 25/-
Sapongs 60/-
Ledburys 11/9
London Asiatics 23/6
E. & I. Trusts 14/- premium.
Rubber Trusts 73/9
Tronohs 110/0
Hongkong Electric Trams 36/3
Shell Transports 4/9 quiet.
Para Rubber 4/9 quiet.

"A CARNIVAL OF BURGLARY" AT MANILA.

A leading article in the Manila Times opens thus:—
"Have you been robbed? No, well you're lucky. Many homes have been cleaned up by enterprising burglars, some of them twice, and unless there is some energetic and violent discouragement of the game they will probably get around to you in the course of a few days. Neighbourhoods like Ermita and Malate are in a state bordering on panic. Strong boxes are being built, valuables are being carried to vaults, houses are being barred and the men folk are sitting up nights and scouting through outhouses and lanes. Servants are being armed with bolos and instructed to carve on sight and there is a premium on Indian watchmen. Mornings see a count of the spoons and other valuables convertible into bullion. How about the police? Well, they are on the job, but they do not seem to be making much headway against Manila's other carnival, the carnival of burglary."

OFFICE HOURS AT BAGUIO.

It is probable, writes the Baguio correspondent of the Manila Times, that a change in the regular office hours at Government centre will be effected in the near future. The new hours which have already been decided upon, are 11.00 a.m. till 6 p.m. The new schedule will be put into operation when the rains come on. The hours from 7 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. which have followed so far this season have been very satisfactory. They have allowed the late afternoon each day for pleasure, providing happily for the general athletic program. The new schedule will meet with more general favour, however.

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Hongkong, 18th April, 1912. [585]

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the Head Office, No. 26, The Bund, Shanghai, on TUESDAY, the 30th APRIL, 1912, at 4.40 o'clock P.M. precisely, for presentation of the Report of the Directors and the Accounts to the 30th December, 1911, the election of Directors and Auditors for the current year, and for the purpose of transacting any other business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 24th to the 30th April, 1912, both days inclusive.

Members holding proxies for absent Shareholders must deposit same with Secretary for Registration at least forty-eight hours before the meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. JACKSON, Secretary.

Shanghai, 15th April, 1912. [581]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO. LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, 54, George Street, on SATURDAY, the 4th MAY, 1912, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a statement of Accounts to 29th February, 1912, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 29th April to the 4th May, 1912, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1912. [582]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

A FINAL DIVIDEND OF TWENTY DOLLARS per Share for the year 1910 and an INTERIM DIVIDEND OF THIRTY DOLLARS per Share for the year 1911, will be Payable on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1912. [614]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.

LOST.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 1593 for TWO SHARES numbered 37959/37960 inclusive, standing in the Register in the name of FRANCISCO XAVIER HOMEN DE CARVALHO of Macao, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said CERTIFICATE be produced at the Office of the Company, 5, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the First day of May, 1912, a new Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1912. [577]

NOTICE.

MRS. and MR. SCIESS beg to inform the Public that they have CEASED all connections with THE PARIS TOILET Co.

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1912. [590]

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IN THE MATTER OF GEO. FENWICK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

(IN LIQUIDATION.)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a FIRST and FINAL DIVIDEND on Claims sent to the Undersigned will be Payable at the Office of the Liquidator TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 27th inst., between 10 A.M. and Noon, and during Office hours on subsequent days.

PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING, Liquidators.

5, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 25th April, 1912. [617]

THE HONGKONG COTTON, SPINNING, WEAVING & DYEING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG COTTON, SPINNING, WEAVING & DYEING CO., LTD., will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 30th day of April, 1912, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when the subject of an Extraordinary Resolution will be proposed:—

"That the General Managers be authorised to sell 10,000 spindles belonging to the Company with their accompanying equipment to Messrs. JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & Co., Ltd., in Shanghai."

By Order, JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & Co., Ltd., General Managers.

Dated the 13th April, 1912. [564]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF RICHARD HENRY MUGFORD, late of No. 4, High Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, late Overseer in the Public Works Department, Hongkong, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of the Probate Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for sending in the Claims against the above Estate to the 23rd day of May, 1912.

All Creditors are accordingly hereby required to send their Claims to the Undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the Twenty-fourth day of April 1912. JOHNSON, SPOKES & MASTER, Princes' Buildings, 100, House Street, Hongkong.

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"MASTER OF MIRACLES."

THEATRE ROYAL, APRIL 29th.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1912. [557]

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Hongkong, 23rd April, 1912. [611]

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Hongkong, 24th April, 1912. [58]

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1912. [593]

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Hongkong, 10th July, 1911. [125]

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THE TELEPHONE ON THE NERVES.

The ear-troubles of telephone users are attributed by Dr. Forster of Charlottenburg to the sharp crackling and other intermittent distracting noises, and not to any electrical or electromagnetic action. The elimination of these sounds is a problem for the telephone engineer. Herr Bahr of Charlottenburg has attempted a solution, and claims improvement by substituting for the iron diaphragm one of mica attached to an iron disc.

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The fall of leaves in autumn is a remarkably variable process, the foliage of oaks and beeches being slowly dropped during a period of weeks and even months, while some trees and shrubs become suddenly bare in a few days. A curious report is made by Prof. G. Kraus of a horse-chestnut and a maple in the Botanical Garden at Halle, Germany. Both trees were in full leaf when a frost of 26 deg. F., came on the night of October 26-27, 1892, and when the sun rose at 8 o'clock a veritable shower began from each tree, the leaves dropping in a great stream. The fall stopped suddenly at the end of an hour from the horse-chestnut and in about half an hour from the maple. In the hour the horse-chestnut lost 67,503 leaves, weighing 135 pounds; and the half-hour fall from the maple was 61 pounds, or 16,518 leaves, at the average of 9.2 per second. The last leaf fell from the horse-chestnut on November 10th, the total fall from it from October 27th having been 276,900 leaves, weighing 445 pounds.

THE OVERHEAD MOON IS LARGEST.

The apparent enlargement of the sun and the full moon when near the horizon has been explained as an optical illusion, due probably to some consideration of distance in comparing the heavenly bodies with terrestrial objects in the same field of view. Another suggestion has been that the atmosphere really has a magnifying effect, and to test this theory photographs have been lately made at Flammarion's observatory by Quénisset, of comet fame. Pictures of the sun were taken at two-minute intervals and an exposure of two hours showed the moon as a long streak of light. There was no enlargement near the horizon, but instead the lessened light caused a slight diminution in apparent size.

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THE CONVENT ON THE DUNES.

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The fishing village was scattered over the high ground as you come up from the sea. On the cliffs between the sea and the dunes were the chalets which come alive every July for the season and were dead and shuttered all the rest of the year. Except in the case of one or two who lived in their chalets all the year round and endured the buffeting of the winter storms, the assaults of the sea and the desolation of winter.

Such a one was M. Meelson, who being interviewed by Lydia Preston resolved himself into plain Mr. Meelson. He was a lean, grey man, with a haggard expression and a young wife who openly flattered him. Lydia was sorry for the man from the beginning of the interview when she was introduced to Madame Meelson, a black-eyed French woman, with a contemptuous way of brushing away her English husband's opinions. Lydia was a marine painter. She wanted to study the fisher folk as they lived through the hardships of the winter. Pity for him made her a lodger at Villa Helene Marie, though she was not prepossessed by the French wife, and the Villa itself was frowy. Plainly M. Meelson longed for the society of one of his own race and speech.

She had not been long at Villa Helene Marie before she discovered that Monsieur was a gentleman with a past. He had at some time been an officer in an English Cavalry regiment. What dreary waste lay between that and Villa Helene Marie where he did much of the housework and worked in the shabby garden to raise a few vegetables for the home. Lydia could only conjecture. Being a philosopher and something of a student of life she had not the usual prejudices to be shocked. "Poor old black sheep!" she thought to herself and felt sorry for the gentleman that died hard in Monsieur. He really had excellent manners still.

Presently making friends with the fisher-folk she discovered that Monsieur was in no very great odour in St. Michel. Perhaps in revenge for being disowned by his own order he was Radical, Socialist, anti-Clerical. In St. Michel these things were yet anathema; and the fisher folk as they passed Monsieur looked askance. If they did not give more forcible expression to their feelings. He lived in a curious loneliness, the poor black sheep. Lydia was sorry for him, while acknowledging that doubtless he had no more than his deserts.

Inland, a mile or so across the dunes, lay an old walled town. It had a history this old town that had grown up about the walls of a convent equally famous with the town. The Convent was empty now, sequestered to the Government. Visiting the old walled town there were many subjects to paint that Lydia almost forgot that she was a marine painter. She had often glanced curiously at the forty foot high wall that enclosed the Convent. The mere size of the Convent compelled wonder and interest. It was gigantic, enormous. The town merely crawled up to its walls. There was something suggestive of a great medieval fortress in those forty foot buttressed walls. It only needed a tale of mural paintings in the chapel to make Lydia curious to see it.

Monsieur would do anything for Lydia. He professed a respectful admiration for her brains as well as her beauty. He lived his hands in amazement that such beauty, such brains, such accomplishments should be still unwed. To be sure she was of the order of Amazons. The Amazons were cruel to their lovers, Lydia tolerated Monsieur's compliments. She had a fresh young heart of pity for the worsted, even the disgraced in the battle of life; and Monsieur retained enough of the gentleman to enable her to forget his probable inquiries while they talked together. The man had education as well as breeding. He was a copious and easy talker. He had known most of the interesting people of his time. A thousand, thousand pities, thought Lydia, that the malignant fairy had been able to slip into his cradle the one thing that nullified the rest.

The merest hint on Lydia's part that she desired to explore the old Convent in the walled town, and he was all agog to further her desire. He himself had never seen the Convent. He hinted scandalous things of its history which Lydia passed by in wide-eyed disdain. She hardly needed to be informed that before Monsieur became *libre penseur* he had been of the old religion. His very bitterness would have made her aware of the fact, she being a person of fine intuitions.

The thing would be easily accomplished through the radical Maire, one of the few persons who seemed to be civil to Monsieur. There came a day when the thing was to be accomplished. Lydia dressed herself simply in a frock of lilac. It must be something she could send to the wash-tub, for the place, immensely old and unoccupied these two or three years back, would be full of dust and cobwebs.

They were sent from pillar to post in search of the Convent keys. When they had all but given up hope, they received them last from a young Frenchman, the entreat of whose house overlooked such a brilliant garden as one could never have hoped to find in the dingy and crumbling town. He looked open-eyed admiration at Lydia as had every man she had met in the street. The lilac gown became her clear skin and wholesome colour: she walked with an air of graceful strength. She had heavy dark hair twisted in splendid coils at the back of her head. Her blue eyes repeated the lilac of the gown. The Frenchman could hardly forbear a compliment as she cowered at Monsieur, being of the Clerical party and so an antagonist. He walked with them to the Chaplain's house of the Convent by which they were to enter. He could not give them the keys, he explained, as another gentleman wished to see the Convent the same afternoon. He would let them in, retaining the keys.

He talked volubly to Lydia as they walked along side by side. He hardly noticed Monsieur. Did Mademoiselle understand then the magnitude of the Convent? It was of a size enormous. It covered so many hectares of land. Himself he had been told that the passages of the Convent covered without doubt three miles. Mademoiselle must take care, he warned her, that she did not lose her way in the Convent.

She hardly took it for serious. He parted with them at the door of the Chaplain's house, explaining to them how it could be opened from the inside but not from without except by using the key. When they left they were to slam the door to, behind them, taking care that the lock clicked. So! He lifted his hat to Lydia pointedly ignoring Monsieur, and went out into the sunny street banging the door after him. The lock clicked. The echo of the closed door seemed to reverberate through miles of brightness.

The Chaplain's house was shuttered so that they found themselves in almost complete darkness. There was a little of papers and straw near their feet. A musty and decomposing odour was in the air. They were glad to hurry through the darkness and litter of unseen things and escape into the Chaplain's garden, once beautiful but now overgrown—a desolate Calvary in the middle of it with a bush of heavy white roses creeping against it as though they prayed deliverance from the weeds that were strangling them.

They found their way through what was almost a thicket. Before them rose the high wall of the Convent, blank on this side. An open door led into the interior. There was a long stone passage before them, dimly lit. It ended in a broken door, the door of enclosure at which the nuns had made a formal resistance before their expulsion.

They went from one passage to another. They seemed endless. The place was very dim, for the low windows were curtained with cobwebs, which swung from the groined roof above their heads. There was dust under their feet, soft dust that slipped and moved. Once a rat scurried before them with a squeal.

There were innumerable doors. Sometimes they led into low vaulted rooms. Again they led to other passages which took them away from the main one. The air was very stuffy, full of close mephitic vapours. They were glad to emerge presently into a cloister that ran round four sides of an overgrown garden.

By a door which they unbolting they found their way into the garden and drew deep breaths. The high Convent walls with their many windows rose high above them. The garden was in a well, yet one could breathe here. In the long shut-up Convent centuries old, there was some nameless oppression in the air which forbade their breathing.

In the cloisters they opened here and there with some difficulty a cobwebby window and let the air such as it was enter. Under their feet were the graves and brasses of the nuns some of them dating six hundred years back. The fierce afternoon sun was outside. Here, where it never penetrated, the light was cold, obscured by dust and cobwebs. It was a vault like place.

"Let us get upstairs," said Monsieur with a shiver.

Lydia glanced at him. He was looking pinched and cold; his face had darkly blue shadows. Perhaps it was the light. She looked up unwillingly. She had discovered the brass of an English nun, and wanted to copy the inscription.

"I will stay," she said, "and you shall get out in the garden and eat peaches while I write down what is here recorded of this very noble and honourable dame!"

He went away and left her. She forgot him in the interest of deciphering the inscription over which so many feet had walked in so many hundred years. She had forgotten her pretty frock, lying almost face downwards to discover the half-obliterated lettering. It might have been the position: it might have been the unwholesome vapours of the old, old place, from which the air had so long been shut, and which indeed had never been blown through by a free wind from the day it was built. Suddenly she was faint, her head reeled. She knelt up to recover herself. She looked down the long cloister to the arched door with the darkness beyond at the end. She realised that she was in a place of graves. Graves everywhere round the four sides of the cloisters.

Monsieur's face in the doorway was a welcome sight.

"I think we had better be going," he said, "if you have quite finished. The sun has set."

Lydia had an idea that he looked ill—worse than usual. Perhaps it was the bad light—the shadows.

"Yes, we had better be going," she said, getting to her feet. She felt she would be glad to escape—to be in the street among the people again. It was a place of ghosts, of the dead, a profaned, dishonoured, desecrated place. Small wonder if the ghosts were angry!

They found a way out of the cloisters and went down one passage into another—another and another. It was darker now the sun was set. Odd how alike they were. There were no landmarks. Now and again they thought to have recognised something only to find presently that they must have been deceived. They grew rather quiet as they went on with the shadows thickening about them. Monsieur's flow of talk was suddenly checked. A vague uneasiness fell upon Lydia.

"Ma foi!" Monsieur said at last in a high unnatural voice. "I believe we are at fault. We must retrace our steps, find the chapel again. The chapel is close by the Chaplain's house. We must have taken a wrong turn out of the cloisters. What fools we were!"

They turned back, only to find themselves once again in a maze of passages. They were hopeful, only to find themselves baffled, took turnings they thought they remembered only to find themselves more lost than ever.

At last in a little room, the barred windows of which looked on a square enclosure, which they had not seen before, Monsieur suddenly gripped Lydia's arm.

"I am not well, Mademoiselle," he said. "Could you open a window? The air of this place is infernal!"

She helped him to a window-seat and got a window open with difficulty. She was alarmed at his face. It was of a bluish pallor. He breathed with difficulty, his hand to his side.

"I have a most . . . agonizing . . . pain," he gasped. "It has happened before. Don't . . . be frightened. Promise me you won't . . . leave me."

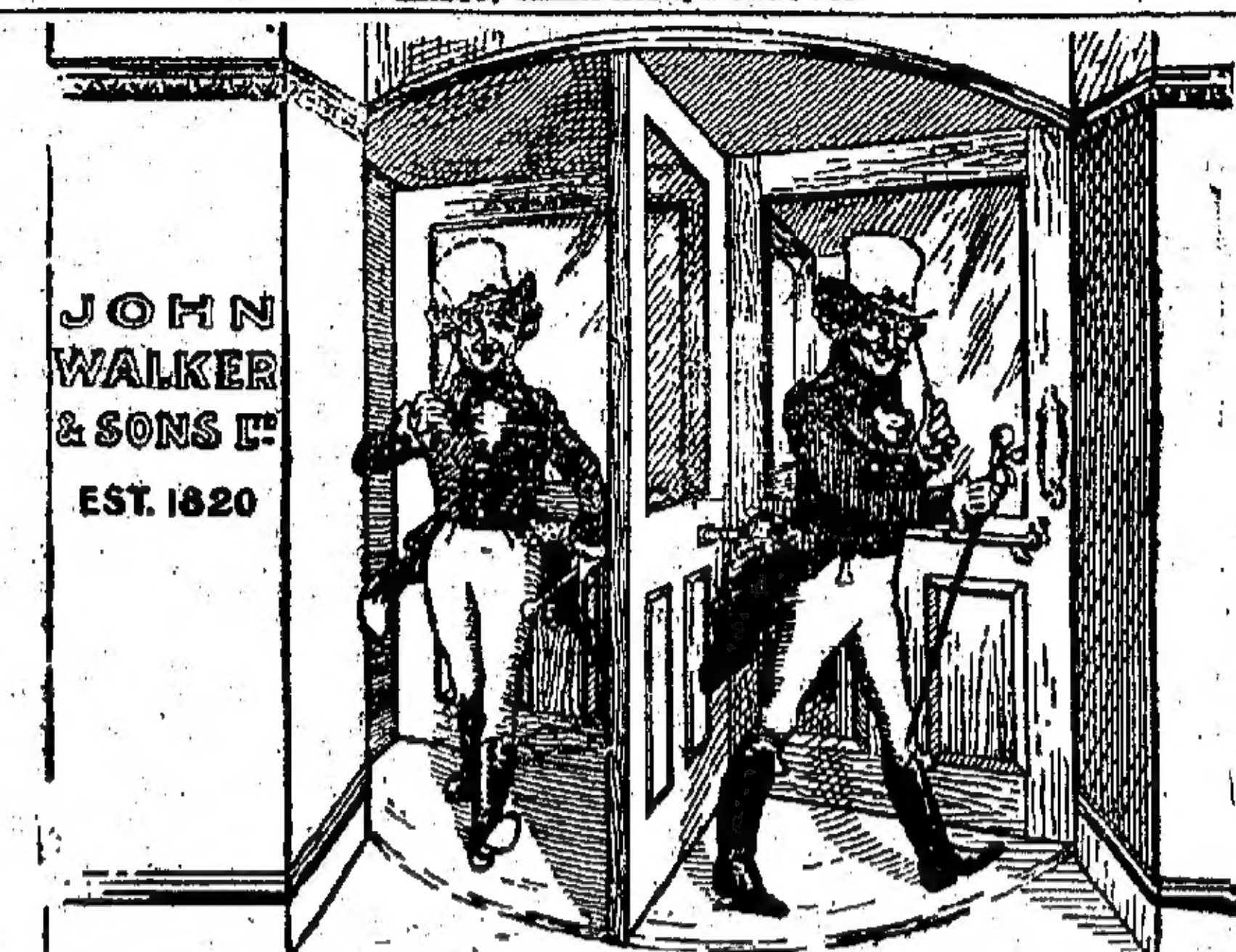
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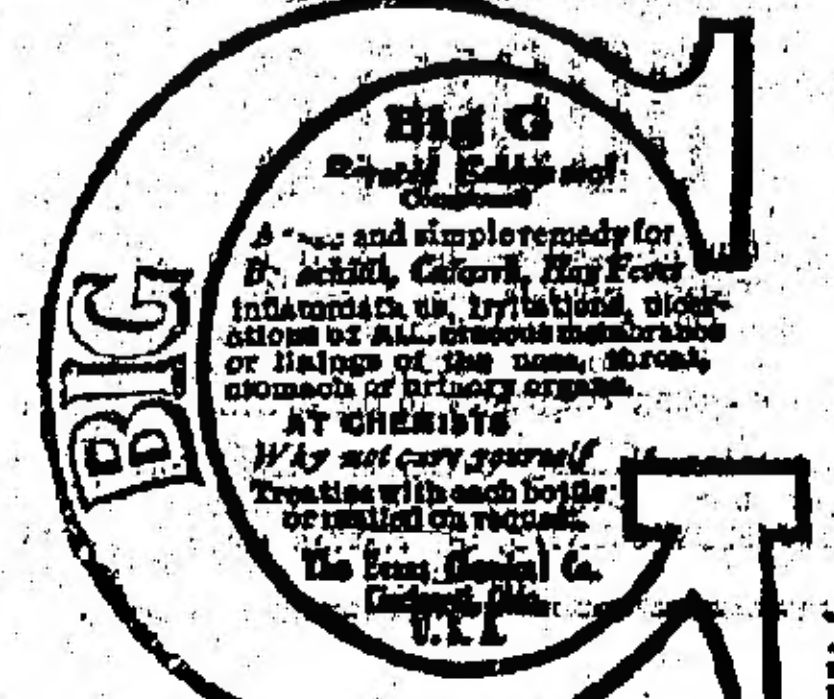
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"Don't leave me," he panted. "I should die with fear in this place. What on earth has induced me to come. We are lost. We shall spend the night here. My God! I shandered them, the old nuns. I never believed me! though I said it. You, won't leave me!"

"I shan't leave you. Don't be afraid. We shall try again, as soon as you are better. Someone will come to look for us."

"No one will come," he said. "Only Dupont knows. Dupont would think it a jest to shut me in the old rattrap all night with the ghosts. Mon Dieu! what ghosts?"

"Holy and gentle women!" said Lydia. "Why should you fear them?"

"Because I said believing in them. My God! I don't believe them. My sister was a nun. You don't know. A heretic! what should you know. Yet you defend them. They will not hurt you, but—"

His head dropped against her arm heavily. Wild with terror she sprang up and laid him out along the ground. She remembered to have heard that just was the proper treatment for heart. He looked as though he were dead. His feet stood up stiffly. The thin aristocratic features seemed to have sharpened.

Then fear took possession of her. What was that? Was he dying, or dead? She had nothing to give him. She was afraid of the open door behind her: of the interminable dull passages. Outside, the dusk gathered in the square enclosure and the many windows seemed to look down upon it like unfilled eyes. She caught sight of a little iron cross. This was the cemetery at last. She looked back at the figure on the floor. It was motionless. All of a sudden she became conscious of a dead stillness. The heavy breathing had ceased.

A door slammed somewhere in the convent, and she could have screamed aloud. She stood in the middle of the room between the darkness outside and the dead or dying man within. Another door slammed. Was something coming? She stood watching the door that opened on the blackness with dilated eyes. Could anything that came be more dreadful than what was there? She heard footsteps. Did the ghosts of dead nuns come with living footsteps. The footsteps were still faint and far away, and someone was whistling surely—whistling a cheerful English tune, a ridiculous music-hall ditty which one heard everywhere that year. All of a sudden she remembered that M. Dupont had spoken of another visitor.

If she should lose him! Dear Heaven, if he should take another turn of the maze and pass her by.

borne gingerly by someone who feared that the draughts would blow it out. The darkness had come so quickly. Thank God for the blessed light and the living footsteps coming—coming.

Roger Leslie, also at fault, and contemplating a night in the old convent with no very pleasant anticipations—he was not afraid, of course—imagine a soldier being afraid of an old rattrap like that—yet whistling to keep his heart up, was amazed by an apparition rushing on him out of the darkness and flinging herself into his arms. No ghost! He felt the warm living form, though the light had gone out. Lydia wild with terror had hurried herself upon him careless of anything save to feel the proximity of something living like herself—something warm and brave and fearless that could whistle a cheerful inane music-hall air amid the darkness and terror of that haunted place.

"Steady, my darling!" said Roger Leslie in a broad Irish accent. "I'll get a light. Don't be afraid. You've got me."

She wasn't afraid—or at least she was not wildly afraid—now that she had got him. He struck a match as well as he could, keeping one arm about her, lit the bit of candle he was carrying and looked in her eyes. She saw a youth, fair-haired and grey-eyed, with a peculiarly handsome chin and a good reliable honest expression. He for his part saw a face which he mentally characterised as a darling face, no less. To be sure she looked scared out of her life. She still clung to him, staring apprehensively beyond his shoulder.

"There! There!" he said, as though he soothed a child's terrors. "Why, the life's frightened out of you, darling. I suppose you're lost like myself. What a place! It's like the old place we used to read about in our school books—the labyrinth, wasn't it? I'm not surprised you lost your way. They told me at Dupont's that there was someone here before me—a Monsieur"—he spared to mention the qualifying terms which M. Dupont had used to describe the Monsieur—"and an English Miss. You, I suppose, are the English Miss. But where is the Monsieur?"

"In there," said Lydia, beginning to sob—she who had always held herself strong minded. She pointed backward. "He is ill—or dead. He was frightened when he thought we were lost; and he had I think a weak heart."

Roger Leslie gave vent to a little whistle that signified dismay and shocked concern.

"We'll take a look at the poor fellow, darling," he said. He was quite unconscious of the "darling"; it seemed to come naturally out of his tender pity and protection for the terrified girl. "Show me where he is."

They went back to the room where Monsieur lay in the thickening dusk with a strange air of rigidity settling upon him.

Young Leslie flashed the candle before the open eyes, standing between Lydia and the dead man; then he turned to her quietly.

"We can't do anything," he said. "We'd better look for the way out."

They found it after some considerable time had elapsed, during which each had to contemplate the prospect of spending the night in the old convent. Wonderful how it was shorn of its terrors for Lydia in the comforting society of a pleasant, able-bodied young man, full of a chivalrous desire and intention to keep her from being frightened. They had all but made up their minds to spend the night in the kitchen garden, the least eerie place they had been able to discover, in the little grotto, with seats round about it from which the image of Our Lady of Lourdes had been rudely torn, when, quite by accident, they came upon the street outside to which the image of the chapel, which, as they knew from the street outside to which the image of the chapel, lay side by side with the Chaplain's house.

The very poor gas-lights were just springing up in the street outside when at last they emerged. It was not yet quite dark in the comfortable world outside. With the terror behind and the lit streets before they paused a second.

"You'll let me see you again?" said Roger Leslie. "This thing has made us friends, hasn't it?"

"Oh, yes," said Lydia. "You don't even know my name nor I yours. I am Lydia Preston, an artist by profession. I've been staying for the last year at the pension of—that poor man—"

she shuddered with a quick look backward. "They call him M. Meelson here. I believe he is English, or half English—the name Milson."

"Thank you," said Roger Leslie, a captain in the Royal Field Artillery. "I've been studying the French soldiers' way of doing things. Fine fellows the *poor point*, not so smart as our Tommies, but fine specimens. I was going on to Paris to-morrow. Now I'll stay and look after you—you'll go home, I suppose?"

"Yes—I shall go home. I shan't want to stay in St. Michel after this."

He stayed by her—saw her through the necessary horror of the inquest: waited while she made her arrangements; finally discovered that he needn't go to Paris after all, and travelled home with her.

After all, as he said later, a thing like that established a bond. It was not likely that they should not fall in love with each other. He always said that he fell in love with his wife at the moment she flung herself so frantically into his arms. And she? Well, perhaps she confessed to him that no man could ever be quite the same to her as the one who gave her such warm comfort and shelter at the most terrible moment of her life.

The convent is now razed to the ground. No one can ever again be lost in its mazes. But Mr. Roger Leslie has always a curious horror of old crumbling places and resolutely refuses to explore such. Her husband thinks she should bless the old convent as he does, for bringing them together; but as she does not like talking about it, he forbears from arguing out the point.

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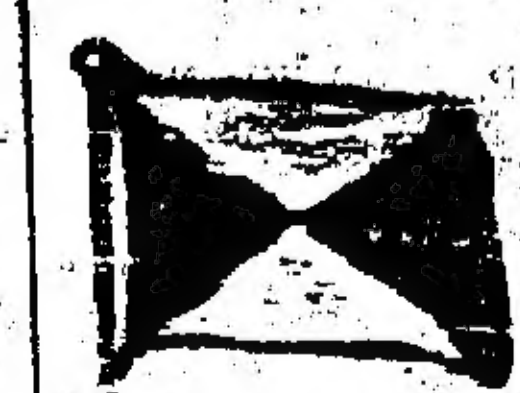
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Hongkong, 27th April, 1912. **PHILIPPINES S.S. Co.** [13]

A CHINESE ROMAN CATHEDRAL PRIEST HONOURED.

To honour the Rev. Father Andrew
Leong on the occasion of the golden
jubilee of his priesthood, a solemn service
was celebrated at the Roman Cathedral,
Hongkong, on Thursday.

The Church was beautifully decorated
with festoons and pot flowers. The Rev.
Father Leong celebrated solemn mass
with the assistance of Bishop Pozzoni, the
local European and Chinese Clergy.

H.E. Mr. Claud Severn, accompanied by
Captain Simson, kindly assisted at the
service. He was conducted to his
reserved seat by Rev. Father Spade and
Cher. Tse Yat. The pupils of St. Joseph's
College and Father Grompa and Mr.
Osmond were in the choir accompanied by
the organist Mr. Baptista.

After the Gospel, the Rev. Father Wong
from Canton delivered an eloquent sermon
on the fifty years of work of Father Leong
and his zeal in teaching his countrymen
the organist Mr. Baptista.

After the service the Rev. Father re-
ceived the congratulations of all and Rev.
Bishop Pozzoni with his missionaries
presented to him an address with a richly
bound Breviary. The Chinese students
of St. Joseph's College headed by their
teachers and the Rev. Brother Director,
presented also an illuminated address of
congratulation, to which Father Leong
replied thanking them and expressing the
hope that all though not yet Christians
would study the Catholic religion which
would bring civilization to Europe and would
also ennoble China and teach her sons
how to be happy in this world and in the
next.

The Chinese Catholic Union gave a
luncheon at which the following toasts
were proposed by the President,
Cher. Tse Yat:—His Holiness the Pope,
His Majesty King George V., The Re-
public of China, and Father A. Leong.

Mr. Lau Po proposed the toast of His
Lordship the Bishop and said:

My Lord and Gentlemen—I have been
honoured by the Chinese Catholic Com-
munity of Hongkong to say a few words
on their behalf on the present auspicious
occasion of the Golden Jubilee of the
priesthood of the Rev. Father Leong Tze
Hing. I have not been charged to extol
the virtues and merits of our honoured
guest. That duty pertains to Cher. Tse
Yat. But what I have been asked to say
is to pay our respect and humble homage
to your Lordship as the worthy repre-
sentative in this British Colony of our
Holy Father, His Holiness the Pope.

Since the day of Father Leong's ordina-
tion the Chinese have passed through
periods that have called for a great deal
of self-restraint and at no time more than
the past few months have we felt and
suffered the value of our Catholic education.
I rejoice to say that under the beneficent
influence of the teaching of our Holy
Mother the Church we have been trained
to discipline and obedience which in times
of stress and upheaval call for the exercise
of moral control. We owe all this and
more to the good Fathers who, in
obedience to God's Mandate, have gone
forth to preach the Gospel in every land.

By the establishment of places of worship,
convents and schools, in China, the
Roman Catholic Missionaries have raised
the moral and intellectual status of the
people, while the preaching of the Gospel
has set them on the path of progress and
righteousness. In this great work your
Lordship has borne a prominent part, and
to this your twenty years of arduous
missionary work in China and seven in
Hongkong bear ample testimony. We
thank your Lordship therefore for your
zeal and devotedness on our behalf, and
it is to you and the missionaries working
under you by divine Providence that we
owe in great measure our welfare and
prosperity at the present day. We pray
that the Lord may spare you to us for
many years to come and grant you health
and strength and courage to continue your
noble and self-sacrificing work.

Bishop Pozzoni in responding to the
toast, said:—Mr. Lau Po and Gentlemen—
It is no mere formal phraseology when I
say that the present is a peculiarly
auspicious occasion in the History of
the Catholic Church in China. In rising,
therefore, to thank you, Sir, as the
spokesman of the Chinese Catholics in
Hongkong, I do so with unfeigned
pleasure. The pleasure is all the greater
in that I am able to announce that His
Holiness the Pope has been graciously
pleased to transmit his blessing and con-
gratulations to Father Leong on his
Golden Jubilee. I will proceed to read
the telegram which I have received from
the Cardinal of the Propaganda Fide. It
is in the following terms:—

Rome, 23rd April, 1912.
10.30 a.m.

"Monsignore Pozzoni,
Vicario Apostolico
Hongkong.
"Santo Padre benedice benemerito
missionario Andrea Leong."
(Signed) GOTTI.

(Applause.) Thus I am sure that I am
voicing the sentiments of the present
gathering when I say that we cordially
congratulate the well-deserving Father for
having been singled out for the Holy
Father's special blessing to-day. I regard
this mark of His Holiness' favour in the
light of his high appreciation of a mis-
sionary who has devoted fifty long years
in the service of God among his own
fellow-countrymen. It is not in the gift
of all to be able to claim the distinctions
which mark the career of the guest, in
honouring whom we honour ourselves.
Born in the village of Leong Tin, in the
district of Nam-Hoi, near Canton, at the
age of fourteen years Andrew Leong
joined the Cathedral Seminary at Hong-
kong as the first and only cleric student.

By diligence and perseverance in his
studies, at the age of 25 years, he
qualified for the examinations and was
ordained priest in Holy Orders on the
25th April, 1862. From that time onward
he has been employed in the missionary
field successively in the districts of
Sun-On, Hoi-fung and Kwai-shin, where
his unflinching zeal, earnest devotion to
duty and great tact won for him the
esteem of the numerous converts whom
he brought within the fold. For his
exceptional services, Father Leong had
conferred upon him by the Holy See, the
title of "Missionarius Apostolicus." I
think he is the only Chinese priest in the
Far East to hold the title. I can speak
of his great worth as a valuable coadjutor,
for in my early years on the Mainland,
Father Leong, who shepherded his flock
so zealously, guided me also in the ways
and customs of the people whom we have
since found it a rare privilege to help in
the service of Christ. It was in 1883 that
Father Leong was transferred to Hong-
kong. He has remained ever since the
Pastor of the Chinese Catholic
Community. It is extremely gratifying
to me to hear from you to-day
that the example and teaching of
your spiritual guide has borne such
good fruit in your imbibing the spirit
of true Christianity in the practice of the
virtues of humility and self-restraint. At
no time, I think, in the history of your
great nation, more than the present have
you to show by example and precept
that the faith and doctrines of our
Holy Mother the Church will have an
abiding influence for the good of your
country and people. Gentlemen, allow
me again to thank you very cordially for
your assurances of respect and obedience
to our Holy Father to whom it will be
my pleasure and duty to forward an
account of the extremely gratifying
ceremony which I and the Catholic Clergy
are attending to-day at your kind
invitation.

The Guests' was proposed by Mr.
Lee Yat-shui.

Rev. Brother Christian responded, con-
gratulating the Rev. Father Andrew on
his heroic missionary work in China. He
also thanked the working Committee for
the successful function and ended by ex-
pressing his confidence in the present auspicious
time for the Christian Missionary in China.

During Luncheon the band of St. Louis
Industrial School played several selec-
tions.

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which are advertised in to-day's issue
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stability of volume, their sound-muffling
and insulating capacities and their power
of resistance against acidiferous atmos-
phere and vapours. Asbestos-Cement
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covering walls and ceilings. They com-
bine all the merits of natural and artificial
products used for the same purposes
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and building material. Its lightness of
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quality and bad heat-conducting capacity
have secured for Asbestos-Slates a very
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purposes, for insulating electricity, heat
and cold. As roofing it has particularly
stood the test in an exceedingly satisfac-
tory manner while under the influence of
the tropical scorching heat of the sun,
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their high prices also tiles or corrugated
sheet-iron owing to the serious dis-
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frequently come into use for school,
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il-garages. In the circumstance it seems
opportune to call the special attention of
building contractors in this district to the
ideal kind of roofing material.

WEATHER REPORT

On the 26th at 11.30 a.m.—The northern
depression now lies to the N.E. of Hokkaido.
The high which lay over the low-r Yangtze
Valley yesterday, has spread northwards to the
Gulf of Tchili.

Fresh N.E. winds are indicated along the
S.E. coast, and fresh to moderate E. winds over
the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for 24 hours ending at
10 a.m. to-day, 0.18 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon
to-day is as follows.

DISTRICT	FORECAST.
* Hongkong & Neighbourhood	(N.E. winds, strong.)
Formosa Channel	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooka	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 1.
* E. winds fresh; fair.	

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Hongkong, 16th April, 1912. [572]

SWEDISH EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD. GOTHENBURG.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	Tons	DATE OF SAILING
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, Kobe and MOJI	"CEYLON"	9,000	On 20th May

For Freight and Further Particulars, apply to
ARTHUR NILSSON & CO.,
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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

ASSAYE, British str., 4,350, G. W. Cookman, R.N.R., 26th April—Shanghai.
23rd April, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
CHONGKANG, British str., 28th April—Canton.
H.M.S. Monmouth, British cruiser, 22,000, Bartlett, 25th April—Colombo.
HAIKUN, British str., 611, Stewart, 28th April—Swatow 25th April, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
HANAI, French str., 1,200, J. Speed, 28th April—Pakhoi 24th April, General—A. R. Marty.
HUNAN, British str., 1,200, J. Speed, 28th April—Newchwang 20th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
KIUKIANG, British str., 28th April—Canton.
KUMKANG, British str., 2,077, F. Wheeler, 28th April—Singapore 26th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
KWONGKANG, British str., 28th April—Canton.
MATILDE, German str., 331, Chr. Ulderrup, 26th April—Hohow 25th April, Rtee and General—Jensen & Co.
SOSHI MARU, Japanese str., 1,119, R. Sukawa, 26th April—Swatow, 26th April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
TAMING, British str., 1,350, G. H. Pennefather, 28th April—Manila 23rd April, Sugar and General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
April 26th.
ASSAYE, British str., for Europe, etc. E. F. Ferdinand, Austrian str., for S'hai.
JOHANN, German str., for Hoihow.
KOKIANG, British str., for Tsingtau.
LOONGKANG, British str., for Manila.
NANSHAN, German str., for Straits.
QUINTA, German str., for Canton.
SOSHI MARU, Japanese str., for Canton.
ST. ALBAN, British str., for Timor.
WALTON HALL, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

April 26th.
HAIKUN, British str., for Swatow.
ISCHIA, Italian str., for Straits.
M. JENSEN, German str., for Swatow.
RAJAHARI, German str., for Swatow.
SANGAI, British str., for Haiphong.
TILWONG, Dutch str., for Batavia.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Matilde, from Hohow, Mr. Bartier.
Per Hainan, from Pakhoi, etc., Dr. and Mrs. Abbattucci, Mr. Rouzeud and Mr. Ross.
Per Hainan, from Swatow, Miss M. O. Porter, Miss F. O. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Besouche.
Per Assaye, for Hongkong, from Shanghai, Mrs. H. E. Kimpton and child, Mr. P. J. Johnson, Mr. J. A. D. Noble, Mr. J. Kerfoot, Mr. L. Hall, Mr. G. E. Flanagan, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Capt. W. F. Tyler, Mr. W. T. Elliott, Mr. W. Crossjohnson, Mr. H. G. Curran, Mr. J. J. Walsh, Mr. T. Froehorn, Mr. Rivers, Mr. G. W. Skelton and Mr. A. E. Martin.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Hainan reports: Fresh to strong E.N.E. wind, overcast.
The British str. Taming reports: Light variable breeze smooth sea till approaching the coast; thence moderate N.E. breeze overcast slight sea.
The British str. Hunan reports: From N.E. Promontory to Hieshan Islands dense fog slight southerly winds, thence to Ockau Islands moderate N.W. wind and passing fog banks, Ockau to Hongkong moderate to fresh N.E. to E.N.E. winds, overcast and drizzling rain and heavy wind.
The British str. Kumkang reports: On way from Hongkong to Singapore, March 26th, at 10 a.m., a Chinese passenger jumped overboard. The steamer was stopped and turned round and after steaming back over course for 45 minutes, observed man swimming in sea. Lowered a boat and sent her away in charge of 2nd officer and picked man up.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M. str. Coblenz left Yap on the 25th April, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 3rd May.
The H.A.L. str. Andalusia left Singapore on the 25th April, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 1st May, a.m.
The N.Y.K. str. Nikko Maru (Australian Line) left Tuesday Island for this port via Manila on the 25th April, and is expected here on the 8th May.
The str. Rubi left Manila on the 26th April, a.m., and is due here on or about 28th April, p.m.
The A.L. str. China left Shanghai for this port on the 25th April, and will arrive here on the 29th April, a.m.
The T.K.K. str. Chiyo Maru will be despatched from Hongkong for San Francisco, via Keelung, etc., on the 7th May, at noon.
The T.K.K. str. Nippon Maru sailed from Honolulu on the 23rd April for Hongkong, and is expected to arrive at this port on the 14th May.
The T.K.K. str. Tenyo Maru sailed from San Francisco on the 24th April for Hongkong, and is expected to arrive at this port on the 25th May.
The T.K.K. str. Shingo Maru sailed from Callao on the 27th inst. for Hongkong, and is expected to arrive at this port on the 14th May.
The T.K.K. str. Kiyo Maru sailed from Arica on the 26th April for Valparaiso and Coronal.
The T.K.K. str. Bayo Maru sailed from Yokohama on the 25th April for South America via Honolulu and Mexico.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

For the purpose of the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "1," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & REG.	DEPT.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO.	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, via USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	ASSAYE...	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Cookman, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	NAMUR...	Brit. str.	—	F. E. Andrews, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st May, at 10 A.M.
LONDON	GLENFARG...	Brit. str.	—	W. L. Hartnell	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 5th May.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	FLINTSHIRE...	Brit. str.	—	G. O. Cundy	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 19th May.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	Gronau...	Ger. str.	k. w.	Gronau...	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 4th May.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	ARCADIA...	Ger. str.	k. w.	Luening...	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 31st May.
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	C. FRED. LAETZ...	Ger. str.	k. w.	Solmer...	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 12th May.
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	SCANDIA...	Ger. str.	k. w.	Kiesel...	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 7th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	HITACHI MARU...	Jan. str.	—	T. Yamawaki	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th May, at D'light.
MARSEILLES, HAYRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SACHSEN...	Ger. str.	—	Wagner...	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 6th May.
MARSEILLES, HAYRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SYTHONIA...	Ger. str.	—	Kotale...	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 30th May.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	PANAMA MARU...	Jap. str.	—	K. Asakawa...	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at 1 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	SADO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 7th May, at 1 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	SEATTLE MARU...	Jap. str.	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 14th May, at 1 P.M.
TRIESTE, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, &c.	CHINA...	Aus. str.	—	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 1st May, at Daylight.
NEW YORK	BOHEMIA...	Aus. str.	—	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 19th May, at 6 P.M.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MATPOPO...	Am. str.	2 m.	Dorman...	THE HANK LINE LTD.	About 15th May.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN...	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. Davison...	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 11th June, at 6 P.M.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE...	Am. str.	—	W. W. Greene...	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 30th inst., at 1 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	MANCHURIA...	Am. str.	—	TOYO KAISEN KAISHA	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 7th May, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	CHITO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th May, at 1 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	NILE...	Am. str.	—	L. Klugkist...	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	ST. ALBAN...	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. W. Garlick...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th May, at 9 A.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	GUTHRIE...	Brit. str.	—	T. W. Whittingham...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 6th May, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	COBLENZ...	Ger. str.	—	L. Klugkist...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 9th May, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MINNESOTA...	Brit. str.	—	R. Takada...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 3rd May.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	FAZILKA...	Ger. str.	—	M. Yagi...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 9th May.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	COBLENZ...	Ger. str.	—	F. Wheeler...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 8th May, at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ITO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	J. B. v. Damme Jehu...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 30th inst., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIPPO MARU...	Brit. str.	—	L. Liddell...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	Quick despatch.
MOJI & KOBE	HONGKONG MARU...	Jap. str.	—	J. B. Harris...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Noon.
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILEAN via JAPAN	TUPANAS...	Dut. str.	—	W. F. Richard...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
TIENTSIN via SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	CHONGSHING...	Brit. str.	—	G. S. Hobbard...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Midnight.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENTSIN	HUICHOW...	Brit. str.	1 m.	L. Jones...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	ANHUI...	Brit. str.	1 m.	H. Formes...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG...	Brit. str.	—	M. Deguchi...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st May.
SHANGHAI	WAISHING...	Brit. str.	—	C. C. Williams...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 2nd May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ANDALUSIA...	Ger. str.	—	T. Noguchi...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd May.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN...	Ger. str.	1 m.	R. A. Peters...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th May, at M'night.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	W. R. Hickey...	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 8th May.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	J. F. Scholte...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	About 9th May.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	A. H. Stewart...	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 20th May.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	W. O. Pasmore...	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	About 1st June.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	J. S. Kooch...	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 1st May, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	J. W. Evans...	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	Loak...	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 30th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	L. Mease...	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 1st May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	P. G. Crosby...	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 3rd May, at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	M. C. Smith...	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 7th May, at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	Bouman...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	To-day, at 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	T. Eato...	MELCHERS & CO.	On 30th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	G. M. B. Lake...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st May.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	E. E. O'Sullivan...	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 1st May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	F. Sembl...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 4th May, at 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—	E. de Catalano...	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 10th May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 30th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th May.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	Middle of May.
SHANGHAI	DEVANNA...	Brit. str.	—		MAGNUS MARITIMES	On 8th May, at 9 A.M.

INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
FOR
*SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "NAMSANG" Saturday, 27th April, Noon.
*MANILA "LOONGSANG" Saturday, 27th April, 2 P.M.
*SHANGHAI via SWATOW "KWONGSANG" Sunday, 28th April, D'light.
*TIENTSIN via SWATOW, WEIHAI "CHEONGSHING" Tuesday, 30th April, Noon.
*MOJI & KOBE "KUMSANG" Tuesday, 30th April, Noon.
*SHANGHAI "WEISHING" Tuesday, 30th April, Noon.
*MANILA "YUENSANG" Saturday, 4th May, 2 P.M.

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The S.S. "FAZILKA" 4,152 tons, Captain W. H. Whittingham, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA and KOBE on 9th May, at Noon, taking Cargo and Passengers at Current Rates. To be followed by S.S. "WARDHA", 3,976 tons, Captain E. W. Peck.

WESTWARD.

The S.S. "MUTTRA" will leave Hongkong for SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON on 30th April, at Noon, followed by the S.S. "FULTALA", on 10th May, taking Cargo and Passengers at Current Rates.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP "FLINTSHIRE" On 19th May.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA "MONMOUTHSHIRE" About 1st June.
LONDON & ANTWERP "DENBIGHSHIRE" About 15th June.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, AND QUEBEC.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR VANCOUVER.	FOR LIVERPOOL.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" SAT., 11th May.	"ALLAN LINE" FRI., 7th June.
"MONTEAGLE" SAT., 1st June.	"EMPEROR OF BRITAIN" FRI., 28th June.
"EMPEROR OF INDIA" SAT., 22nd June.	"ALLAN LINE" FRI., 19th July.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" SAT., 13th July.	"EMPEROR OF IRELAND" FRI., 9th Aug.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TONS	TO SAIL.
MANILA, NAPLES, GENOA, ALGERS, CIBALTA, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and HAMBURG	"KLEIST" Capt. L. MAARS.	17,000	Tuesday, 30th April, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"BUELOW" Capt. H. FORMES.	16,900	About 2nd May.
MANILA, YAP, MARONN, SAMARAI, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"COBLENZ" Capt. L. KLUGKIST.	6,760	9 A.M. 18th May.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"COBLENZ" Capt. L. KLUGKIST.	6,750	About 3rd May.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMBIL.	5,000	Middle of May.

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HONGKONG, 24th April, 1912.

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR
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THE Steamship

"ASSAYE,"
Captain G. W. Cookman, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, TO-DAY, the 27th April, 1912, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the O.S.S. "MONGOLIA," 10,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.
Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, Tea and Cargo for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the S.S. "ASSAYE," due in London on the 7th June, 1912.
Parcels will be received at the Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1912.

GLEN LINE (MCGREGOR, GOW & CO., LIMITED).

THE Steamship
"GLENFARG,"
Captain W. L. Hartnell, will be despatched for LONDON on SUNDAY, the 5th May.

This Steamer has excellent accommodation for 20 First Class Passengers.
SALOON FARE £35.
For Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, 24th April, 1912. [57]

GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP CO.

THE Steamship
"MINNESOTA,"
Captain T. W. GARICK,

via
NAGASAKI, INLAND SEA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA, on MONDAY, the 6th May, at Noon.

For freight or passage and General information, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents,
1st Floor, Prince's Building, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 24th April, 1912. [59]

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P.M. S.S. str. Nile from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on the 2nd April en route to Hongkong, and is due to arrive at this port on the 30th April.

The P.M. str. Mongolia left San Francisco on the 10th April, for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, and is due to arrive at this port on the 7th May.

The T.K.K. str. Nippon Maru will be despatched from San Francisco on the 17th April, for Hongkong, and is expected here on the 11th May.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The E. and A. str. Eastern, from Sydney, and left Port Darwin on the 21st April for this port via Timor and Manila.

The I.G.M. str. Coblenz left Sydney on the 10th April, at noon, and may be expected here on or about 3rd May.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
The C.P.R. str. Empress of Japan arrived at Shanghai on the 24th April, at 3 a.m., and left again at 3 p.m. same day for Hongkong, where she is due to arrive on the 27th April, at 8 a.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. Shewan carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 3rd April left Colombo on the 21st April, and may be expected here on or about the 2nd May.

THE MERCHANTS' STEAMERS.
The Danish str. Ekaterina left Singapore on the 18th April, p.m., and may be expected here on or about 27th April, a.m.

The Seang Line str. Seanghe left Rangoon on the 20th April, for Hongkong, and is expected to arrive here on the 29th April.

The Mogul Line str. Lothian from United Kingdom left Singapore on the 24th April, a.m., and is therefore due here on or about 30th April.

The str. Indramayo passed the Suez Canal on the 9th April, and is due here on or about 24th May.

The T.K.K. str. Hongkong Maru arrived at Honolulu on the 15th April, and will sail for Hongkong via Japan port on the 17th April, and is expected here on the 23rd May.

The "Mogul" Line str. Lothian left United Kingdom on the 13th ult. for Hongkong via the Straits.

The str. Glenelg passed the Suez Canal on the 9th April

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	ASSAYE	Noon, 27th April.	See Special of Call
LONDON and ANTWERP	NAMUR	10 A.M. 1st May.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, SYRIA and YOKOHAMA	DEVANHA	About 8th May.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA	About 9th May.	Freight and Passage.

For Further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1912.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 27th Apr., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 27th Apr., 11 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU, and ILOILO	"TAMING"	On 30th Apr., 4 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOY, NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"HUNAN"	On 1st May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 2nd May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 4th May, 11 P.M.

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.
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IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE.

MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"GUTHRIE"	On 4th May, 4 P.M.
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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

HOMEWARD.

F.R. SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA:

S.S. ANDALUSIA ... 1st May.

S.S. BAYERN ... 6th May.

S.S. ALESIA ... 24th May.

S.S. Segovia ... 4th June.

For Further Particulars, apply to—

FOR ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP:
S.S. O. J. D. AHLENS ... 4th May.
FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE & BREMEN:
S.S. SACHSEN ... 6th May.
FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. C. F. FERD. LAEISZ ... 12th May.
FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE & BREMEN:
S.S. STEPHAN ... 30th May.
FOR ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP:
S.S. ARCADIA ... 31st May.
FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. SCANDIA ... 7th June.

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Hongkong, 25th April, 1912.

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"HAICHING"	Capt. W. C. Pasmore	TUESDAY, 30th April, at 11 A.M.
"FAITAN"	Capt. J. S. Bosch	WEDNESDAY, 3rd May, at 11 A.M.
"HAITANG"	Capt. J. W. Evans	TUESDAY, 7th May, at 11 A.M.

For

SWATOW AND RETURN.

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HAIMUN ... Capt. A. H. Stewart ... SUNDAY, 28th April, at 10 A.M.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING.
CHIYO MARU	W. W. Greene	TUESDAY, 7th May, Noon.
NIPPON MARU	A. G. Stevens	TUESDAY, 28th May, at Noon.
TENYO MARU	E. Bent	TUESDAY, 4th June, at Noon.
SHINYO MARU	H. S. Smith	TUESDAY, 25th June, at Noon.

STEAMER	Tons	DATE OF SAILING.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	FRIDAY, 7th June, Noon.
KIYO MARU	17,500	TUESDAY, 6th Aug., at Noon.
BUYO MARU	10,500	FRIDAY, 4th Oct., at Noon.

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	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	THURSDAY, 13th June, at 1 P.M.
	"TACOMA MARU"	6,178	THURSDAY, 11th July, at 1 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, AND YOKOHAMA	"PANAMA MARU"	6,059	TUESDAY, 30th April, at 1 P.M.
	"MEXICO MARU"	6,064	TUESDAY, 28th May, at 1 P.M.
	"CANADA MARU"	6,064	TUESDAY, 25th June, at 1 P.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES
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ANPING via SWATOW and AMOY	"SOSHU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 1st May, at 10 A.M.

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MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	HITACHI MARU Capt. T. Yamawaki	7,000	WEDNESDAY, 9th May, at Daylight.
	MIYASAKI MARU Capt. T. Mura	9,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd May, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU and YOKOHAMA	SADO MARU Capt. K. Asakawa	7,000	TUESDAY, 7th May, at Noon.
	INABA MARU Capt. S. Tomimaga	7,000	TUESDAY, 21st May, at 4 P.M.
	YOKOHAMA MARU Capt. N. Noda	7,000	About 1st June, from Kobe.
SEATTLE	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sakine	6,000	FRIDAY, 10th May, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	FRIDAY, 7th June, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO	TOSA MARU Capt. T. Sato	6,000	MONDAY, 29th April.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	IYO MARU Capt. R. Takada	7,000	THURSDAY, 9th May.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 9th May.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	BOMBAY MARU Capt. T. Nogaohi	7,000	WEDNESDAY, 8th May.
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MIYASAKI	9,000	T. Mura	May 22nd.
ITANO	9,000	F. E. Cope	June 5th.
IYO	7,000	R. Takada	June 19th.

FOR SEATTLE.

SADO MARU	7,000	K. Asakawa	May 7th.
INABA	7,000	S. Tomimaga	May 21st.
KAMAKURA	7,000	K. Soeda	June 4th.
TAMBA	7,000	S. Wada	June 18th.

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Steamer	Tons	NOON, SATURDAY		Steamer	Tons	SATURDAY	FRIDAY
ASSAYE	7500	April	27	MONGOLIA	10000	May 25	May
ORIENTAL ...	5284	May	11	MALWA	11000	June 8	May 14
DEVANHA ...	8000	May	25	CHINA	8000	June 22	June 28
DELTA	8000	June	8	MACEDONIA	10500	July 6	July 12
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	Tonnage	about	about	about
NAMUR	7000	May	1	June 14
PALAWAN	5000	May	15	June 29
BORNEO	5000	May	29	July 13
SYRIA	7000	June	12	July 27
NORE	7000	June	26	August 10

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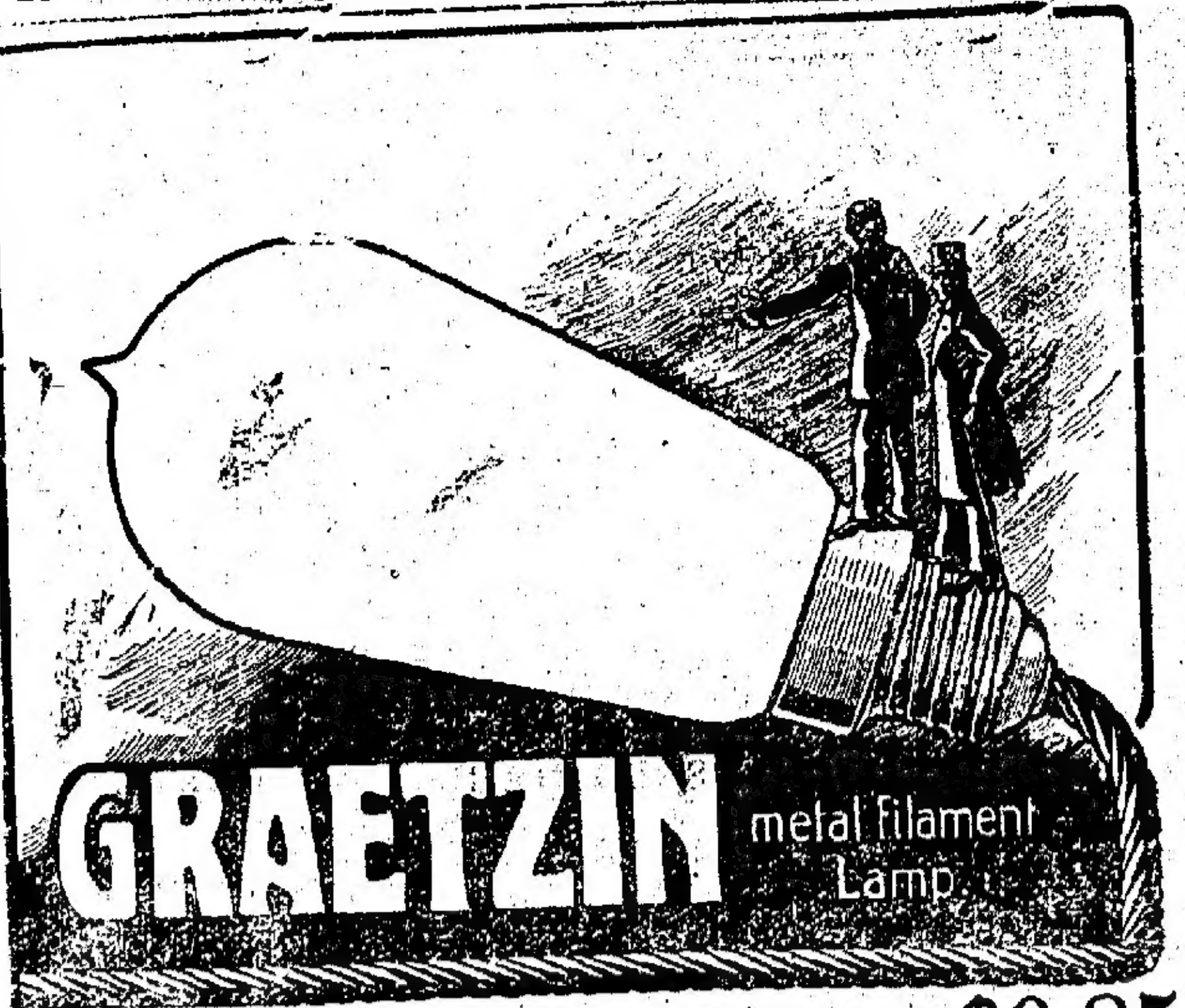
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 The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended: Hupeh, Hunan and Tchengtueh.
 The Sado Maru, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-morrow.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hokow, Haiphong and Pakhoi	Johanne	Saturday, 27th, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow	Quinta	Saturday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Hokow	Locken	Saturday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Anghin	Saturday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Pongtong	Saturday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Timor, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand	St. d'Alba	Saturday, 27th, 10.00 A.M.
Japan via Kobe	Baron Zander	Saturday, 27th, 10.00 A.M.
Straits, and India via Calcutta	Namany	Saturday, 27th, 10.00 A.M.
STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELALDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT and EUROPE via BRINDISI (Late Letters 11.00 to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents)		Printed Matter and Samples 10.00 A.M.
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(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 11.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Loongang	Saturday, 27th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Saturday, 27th, 1.15 P.M.
Welshel and Tientsin	Huichow	Saturday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China	Kwongang	Saturday, 27th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China (EUROPE VIA SIBERIA)	Anhui	Saturday, 27th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow	Haiman	Sunday, 28th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Sui Tai	Sunday, 28th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Sunday, 28th, 1.15 P.M.
Straits and Burmah	Mutira	Tuesday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Welshel and Chaochow	Cheongshing	Tuesday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai and North China	Wataking	Tuesday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Japan via Kobe	Kumang	Tuesday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELALDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT and EUROPE via NAPLES (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		Printed Matter and Samples 10.00 A.M.
		Registration 10.00 A.M.
		(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
		Registration Kowloon B.O. 9.30 A.M.
		No late fee 11.00 A.M.
		Letters 11.00 A.M.
		Printed Matter and Samples 10.00 A.M.
		Registration 10.15 A.M.
		(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 11.00 A.M.)
		Registration Kowloon B.O. 9.30 A.M.
		No late fee Noon
		Letters Noon
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, Canada and Tacoma	Panama Maru	Tuesday, 30th, Noon
Macao	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 30th, 1.15 P.M.

COMMERCIAL CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
 April 26th.

ON LONDON—
 Telegraphic Transfer 1/11 1/2
 Bank Bills, on demand 1/11 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2/—
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/—
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/—
 Documentary Bills 4 months' sight 2/—

ON PARIS—
 Bank Bills, on demand 252
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 256 1/2

ON GERMANY—
 On demand 204 1/2

ON NEW YORK—
 Bank Bills, on demand 48 1/2
 Credits, at 60 days' sight 49 1/2

ON LOMBARDY—
 Telegraphic Transfer 148 1/2
 Bank, on demand 149

ON CALOUTTA—
 Telegraphic Transfer 149 1/2
 Bank, on demand 149

ON SHANGHAI—
 Bank, at sight 73
 Trips, 30 days' sight 73 1/2
 Yokohama—On demand—Pesos—98
 On Manila—On demand—Pesos—98
 On Singapore—On demand—Pesos—98
 On Batavia—On demand—Pesos—119 1/2
 On Haiphong—On demand—Pesos—119 1/2
 On Saigon—On demand—Pesos—119 1/2
 On Bangkok—On demand—Pesos—119 1/2
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 Chinese 20 cents pieces \$6.95 discount.
 Chinese 10 " \$7.45
 Hongkong 20 " \$6.47
 Hongkong 10 " \$7.28

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.
 London April 26th.
 Shanghai April 28th.

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS. HONGKONG, APRIL 26th, 1912.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$1945, sellers
China Bank Corporation, Limited	50,000	\$12	all	\$109, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$5	all	\$140, buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	all	\$8, sal. & buy.
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 89, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	\$5, sal. & buy.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	\$218, buyers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$578, sellers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$57	all	\$461, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$62	all	\$62, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 54
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 35
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	all	\$43, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$233, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	15,000	\$50	all	\$109, buyers
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	15,000	\$25	all	\$68, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$83, buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$83, buyers
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$7, buyers
INSURANCE.				
China Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$210, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$112, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$100, div.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$343, buyers
Hongkong Marine Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 145
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,000	\$250	\$100	\$815, div. m.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$210, Ex 73
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$107
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$73, sal. & sel.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$30	all	\$34
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 38
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$54, sales
Manchouppu tot Mijne, Bosch-en	25,000	Gds. 10	all	Tls. 70, buyers
MINING.				
Chinese Engineering and M. Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	\$1	all	38, sellers
Tromoh Mines, Limited	75,280	\$1	all	70, buyers
Heawood Tin and Rubber Estate, Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$4.55, sellers
Ramb Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	25,000	\$10	all	\$123, sales
Pekin Tramways Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$1	\$1.20, buyers
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	all	\$5, buyers
RAFFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$110, sellers
Lyson Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$34, buyers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	all	\$113, sellers
Donghai Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$22, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$15	all	\$273, sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$25	all	\$70, L'don
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,500,000	\$10	all	112 1/2, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$32, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	all	\$22
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	all	\$6, sellers
STOCKS AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$25
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$54
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$3
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	3,000	\$10	all	\$15, buyers
Weismann, Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$12, buyers
Gande Price & Co., Ltd.	13,200	\$50	all	\$40, sales
Societe des Pulpes et Papeteries du Tonkin	15,000	\$10	all	\$10
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.	9,900	\$10	\$4	\$10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	100 shares	\$10	all	\$500
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$74
RUSSIAN.				
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Loans.				
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
		Tls. 250	7 1/2 p. annum	Par.
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TO-DAY				
12.30 P.M.—Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club.				
FORTHCOMING EVENTS.				
Monday, 29th April—Extraordinary General Meeting of The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., Noon.				
Monday, 29th April—Auction of Crown Land at Leighton Hill, by Public Works Dept., 3 P.M.				
Monday, 29th April—Auction of Crown Land at Dept. 3 P.M.				
Monday, 29th April—The Great Raymond at the Theatre Royal, 9 P.M.				
Tuesday, 30th April—Extraordinary General Meeting of Hongkong Cotton Spinning Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd., at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 11 A.M.				
Tuesday, 30th April—Twenty-Second Ordinary General Meeting of The Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., Shanghai, 4.30 P.M.				
Wednesday, 1st May—Farewell Concert to Mrs. Gordon at Volunteer Headquarters, 9.15 P.M.				
Saturday, 4th May—Twenty-Third Ordinary General Meeting of The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., Noon.				
OPTIM.				
				April 26th.
Quotations are:—				
Malwa New	...	\$3,325/3,350	per picul.	
Malwa Old	...	\$3,360/3,375	"	
Malwa Older	...	\$3,400/3,415	"	
Malwa V. Old	...	\$3,425/3,450	"	
Persian fine quality	...	\$1,600	"	
Persian extra fine	...	\$2,000	"	
Patna New	...	\$3,700	per chest.	
Patna Old	...	\$3,600	"	
Banar New	...	\$3,700	"	
Banar Old	...	\$3,550	"	

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